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The Dodson CWA memo is attached.

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Here is our response (based upon the collective wisdom of the CERCLA attorneys).

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Deliberative Process/Ex. 5



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Following is list of the questions Martin posed yesterday. First 3 are ones that David thinks will be useful for discussion with HQ tomorrow. Can you provide me with responses to these 3 today? These would be used as talking points for a call with HQ.

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